



## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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### Important Dates For Your Diary

#### Monday 29th September

Book Fayre Week

#### Tuesday 30th September

YR Phonics Information Evening 4pm

#### Wednesday 1st October

Y1 Countryside Skills

Y6 PGL Information Evening 3:30pm

#### Thursday 2nd October

Y1 Countryside Skills

Open Morning—2026 Children/Parents

#### Thursday 9th October

Y4 Harvest Festival— St George's Church—  
11am

### Pencil Cases

We've noticed that some pencil cases coming into school are starting to resemble small bags! While we love that our pupils are prepared and excited for learning, we do need to set a quick reminder about pencil case size and contents.

Our classroom drawers and desks are designed for small, simple storage so when pencil cases are too big or bulky, they don't fit and can end up causing clutter and distractions.

Children do not need their own pencil case in school but if they do like to bring one, it should be a simple design and small enough to fit in their drawer. It should only contain the essentials: pencils, ruler, rubber and a sharpener.

Keeping things simple helps us make the most of learning time.

Thank you for your support in helping us keep our classrooms tidy, calm, and focused!

### Lateness & Attendance

We understand that mornings can be hectic and that occasional lateness is sometimes unavoidable. However, frequent lateness can have a significant effect on your child's learning and the overall classroom environment.

If your child arrives at school after 9:00am, they will be marked as late in the register. This lateness also counts towards their overall attendance record and is unauthorised.

When children arrive late, even by just a few minutes, it can

- ◆ Make it harder for them to settle into the day
- ◆ Mean they miss important instructions or learning
- ◆ Disrupt the class that's already started
- ◆ Leave them feeling rushed or behind

Starting the day on time helps children feel calm, confident, and ready to learn.

We understand that sometimes things happen, traffic, busy mornings and unexpected delays. If you're finding it hard to get your child to school on time regularly, please reach out so we can work together to find a solution.

Thank you for everything you do each day to support your child's learning. Being on time really does make a difference and we appreciate your efforts in making school a priority.

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## Book Fayre

We are very excited for our Book Fayre arriving today. It is packed with books your children will love (and probably beg for).

From superheroes to sparkly unicorns, there's something for every young reader. It's a great way to get your child excited about reading and support the school at the same time.

Every book sold helps us earn FREE books for our classrooms, so your shopping really does make a difference!

The Book Fayre will be set up in the school hall and will open to parents from tomorrow. We will allocate days/times to each year group and communicate this through EduLink.

Children will also have an opportunity to look at the books during the school day this week. You will no doubt have lots of excited readers coming home this week.

## Student Spotlight

Charlie S and Isaac in Year 6 have made it into the Stroud District football squad, and recently played their first game against the Gloucester Elite Performance Centre.

They should be involved in a number of fixtures throughout the season against other representative teams and talent centres from across Gloucestershire and the West.

A great achievement, well done!



## Value Certificates

### Year 1

**Jesse G** for being a wonderful sportsperson by showing great throwing skills during our PE sessions.

### Year 2

**Betty** for being a wonderful scientist by predicting using reasons why woodlice would choose to live in a certain place.

### Year 3

**Victor** for being a wonderful mathematician by grasping concepts easily and moving rapidly through his Quick Maths levels.

### Year 4

**Evelyn** for being a wonderful writer by using the features of our portal story in her story.

### Year 5

**Evie** has shown the value of respect by being an amazing role model and always trying her best.

### Year 6

**Teddy** has shown the value of perseverance by consistently working hard in every lesson this week. He has also produced some impressive descriptive writing.

# WELL DONE EVERYONE